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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE DELIVERED: TRANSFERRING KUWAITI DETAINEES

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Classified By: Ambassador Richard LeBaron for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

(S) During an October 15 meeting with Foreign Minister Shaykh Dr. Mohammed Al-Salem Al-Sabah, Ambassador delivered reftel demarche points verbatim. Upon learning of the transfer approval for five Kuwaiti detainees from Guantanamo, the FM said, "We (the GOK) are going to try them." He continued: "Thank you very much. Your response was prompt. It sends a positive message." (Note: Shaykh Mohammed was referring to the response to the request to the President by PM Shaykh Sabah during his visit in July, 2005.)  
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